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SUBJECT: EWG MEETING APRIL 28 AND 29: AD-70 SPRING REPORT

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BEGIN SUMMARY: DURING APRIL 28 AND 29 MEETINGS, EXECUTIVE WORKING GROUP (EWG) REVIEWED DRAFT 1975 AD-70 SPRING REPORT (REF A). REPS MADE NUMEROUS REVISIONS, BUT RETAINED MAJOR THRUST AND SCOPE OF DRAFT DOCUMENT. INTERNATIONAL STAFF INTENDS TO CIRCULATE NEW DRAFT ON APRIL 30 WHICH EWG WILL APPROVE BY SILENCE PROCEDURE MAY 6. ASGY HUMPHREYS ANNOUNCED THAT DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE IN PERMANENT SESSION (SPC PERN REPS) WILL CONSIDER DRAFT MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE (REF C) AND MINISTERIAL AGENDA (REF D) ON MAY 5 AND TENTATIVELY, WILL CONSIDER DRAFT AD-70 SPRING REPORT ON MAY 15. END SUMMARY.

1. IN INTRODUCTORY REMARKS TO APRIL 28 AND 29 EWG DISCUSSIONS OF SECRET

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AD-70 SPRING REPORT (REF A), CHAIRMAN PANSIA THAT IS HAD:

A) DRAWN MATERIAL FOR SECTIONS ON FORCE CAPABILITIES (REF A, PARAS 6-24) FROM EXISTING NATO DOCUMENTS INCLUDING LATEST MILITARY APPRECIATION; B) UPDATED THIS MATERIAL IN LIGHT OF "RECENT EVENTS":

AND C) CLEARED DRAFT SECTIONS ON SUPPORTING PROGRAMS (PARAS 38-53) THROUGH APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL MILITARY STAFF (IMS) AGENCIES. EWG THEN DISCUSSED REPORT- PARAGRAPH BY PARAGRAPH - AND MADE NUMEROUS REVISIONS. HIGHLIGHTS FOLLOW.

2. INTRODUCTION: SUPPORTING PROGRAMS (PARA 5). AT REQUEST OF US REP, (DR. LEGERE) EWG DELETED WORDS " AND SUPPORTING" FROM FIRST SENTENCE OF PARA 5 AND ADDED FINAL SENTENCE WHICH PROVIDES THAT EWG WILL CONTINUE ANNUAL REVIEWS OF SUPPORTING COOPERATIVE PROGRAMS PENDING POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT OF DEFENSE REVIEW MECHANISM FOR SUCH PROGRAMS.

3. FORCE CAPABILITIES: NORTHERN REGION (PARAS 6-9) . NORWEGIAN REP (LEINE) SAID IS DRAFT PARAS 7 AND 9 WERE TOO PESSIMISTIC AND RECOMMENDED THEY CITE NORWEGIAN ANTI ARMOR IMPROVEMENTS, NORWEGIAN PLANS TO PURCHASE ROLAND II AIR DEFENSE WEAPONS, AND SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF US- NORWEGIAN AGREEMENT ON COLLOCATED OPERATING BASES (COBS) . DANISH REP (ROSENTHAL) SAID US-DANISH COB NEGOTIATIONS HAD NOT REPEAT NOT STARTED AND EWG SHOULD REVISE PARA 9 ACCORDINGLY. UK REP (MACDONALD) SAID DRAFT PARA 8 EXAGGERATED ADVERSE IMPACT OF UK DEFENSE REVIEW BY NEGLECTING ADDITIONAL STRIKE, ATTACK, AND RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT IT MADE AVAILABLE FOR NORTHERN REGION. EWG ASKED IS, IN CONJUNCTION WITH UK AND SHAPE, TO REVISE PARAS 8 AND 9 CONSISTENT WITH ABOVE COMMENTS.

4. FORCE CAPABILITIES: CENTRAL REGION (PARAS 10-12). EWG ACCEPTED US REPS REQUESTS TO REVISE SECOND SENTENCE IN PARA 12 TO READ, " IN PARTICULAR THERE WILL BE A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN LAND COMBAT FORCES AND PERHAPS ALSO IN AIR COMBAT FORCES WHEN THE UNITED STATES COMPLETES ITS CURRENT MANPOWER SHIFT FROM SUPPORT TO COMBAT FORCES," AND THE LAST CLAUSE OF THE FIFTH SENTENCE IN PARA 12 TO READ, " NEGOTIATIONS ARE CONTINUING WITH A VIEW TO PROVIDING RECEPTION BASES FOR UNITED STATES AIRCRAFT, WHICH WILL ENHANCE THE FLEXIBILITY OF SACRETS STRATEGIC RESERVE." EWG ACCEPTED UK REPS REQUEST THAT FOURTH SENTENCE OF PARA 12 CITE INCREASE NUMBERS OF AIRCRAFT EARMARKED TO 2 ATAF AND THEIR
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AVAILABILITY TO NATO AT SIMPLE ALERT RATHER THAN REINFORCED ALERT AS IN PAST. AT REQUEST OF SHAPE REP (BGEN MILLER), IS WILB ADD REFERENCE IN PARA 12 TO INCREASED BRIGADES RESULTING FROM US " TEETH- TO- TAIL" IMPROVEMENTS AND FRG RESTRUCTURING PROGRAM AND WILL REVISE LAST SENTENCE TO REFLECT POSSIBLE INCREASES IN AIRLIFT AVAILABILITY THROUGH IMPLEMENTATION OF US CIVIL RESERVE AIR FLEET (CRAF) CONCEPT.

5. FORCE CAPABILITIES: SOUTHERN REGION (PARAS 13-19). EWG ACCEPTED ITALIAN REPS (ADM MACCHIAVELLI) REQUEST TO REMOVE IMPLICATION IN PARA 16 THAT PLANNED ITALIAN REORGANIZATION/ RESTRUCTURING OF MILITARY SERVICES WOULD HAVE ADVERSE EFFECT ON OVERALL MILITARY CAPABILITIES. REPS DISCUSSED AT LENGTH

THE GENERAL THRUST OF PARAS 17-19. TURKISH REP (TOPUR) SAID HIS AUTHORITIES BELEIVED THESE PARAS WERE "JUST RIGHT" AND WISHED TO " SAVE THEIR AMMUNITION" FOR OTHER ONGOING STUDIES OF SOUTHERN FLANK PROBLEMS. UK REP SAID PARA 19 GENERALLY EXAGGERATED IMPACT OF UK DEFENSE REVIEW ON SOUTHRN FLANK AND THAT UK HAD AGREED TO CONSIDER COMPENSATORY MEASURES WHICH WOULD OFFSET SOME OF THE SOUTHERN FLANK PROBLEMS. TURKISH REP ARGUED THAT THESE COMPENSATORY MEASURES ONLY RELATED TO ITALY. EWG INVITED UK SHAPE ITALY AND TURKEY TO REVISE PARA 19 JOINTLY.

6. FORCE CAPABILITIES: SACLANT (PARAS 20-22) . SACLANT REP PROPOSED NEW PARA 21 WHICH CONTAINED STRONGER LANGUAGE ABOUT IMPACT OF UK DEFENSE REVIEW. UK REP SAID HIS AUTHORITIES COULD ACCEPT NEITHER SACLANT PROPOSAL NOR IS DRAFT. EWG ACCEPTED ACTING CHAIRMAN HUMPHREYS SUGGESTION THAT UK AND SACLANT REPS JOINTLY DEVELOP NEW LANGUAGE.

7. BASIC ISSUES: INTRODUCTION (PARA 25). US REP, DRAWING FROM REF B, ASKED EWG TO DELETE LAST SENTENCE OF PARA 25 AND SUBSTITUTE FOLLOWING: BEGIN QUOTE: THIS YEARS DEFENSE PLANNING QUESTIONNARIE WILL PROVIDE FOR SUBMISSION OF DETAILED INFORMATION ON BASIC ISSUES, TO PERMIT AN IN DEPTH STOCK TAKING. WHILE PROGRESS BY NATIONS IN IMPLEMENTING BASIC ISSUES FORCEIMPROVEMENTS WILL BE EXAMINED IN THE ANNUAL DEFENSE REVIEW, THE EWG WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR NATO PLANNING ACTION IN THESE SPECIAL FIELDS. BRIEF SUMMARIES OF THE CURRENT SITUATION AS BASED ON INFORMATION TO DATE ARE SET OUT BELOW. END QUOTE: SHAPE REP OBJECTED TO US SECRET

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PROPOSAL, SAYING NATO HAD ALREADY GIVEN BASIC ISSUES SUFFICIENT INITIAL IMPETUS AND THAT IMPROVED DEFENSE PLANNING QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSES IN CONJUNCTION WITH EXISTING DEFENSE REVIEW MECHANISM WOULD ADEQUATELY PROPEL BASIC ISSUE FORCE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE FUTURE. ACTING CHAIRMAN HUMPHREYS,UK AND AND CANADIAN (COL SHEFFIELD) REPS SUPPORTED SHAPE REP. EWG ACCEPTED UK-PROPOSED COMPORMISE WHICH ADDS A SENTENCE TO DRAFT PARA 25 STATING THAT BASIC ISSUES WILL CONTINUE TO RECIEVE SPECIAL ATTENTION IN THE EXISTING DEFENSE REVIEW PROCESS.

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8. AIRCRAFT PROTECTION PROGRAMME (PARAS 26-29). EWG ACCEPTED MC REPS (COMMODORE GELUYKENS) REQUEST TO AMEND FIRST SENTENCE OF PARA 26 TO READ, " PROGRESS FOR THE PROVISION, UNDER THE EUROPEAN DEFENSE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (EDIP), OF AIRCRAFT SHELTERS FOR 70 PERCENT OF EARMARKED AND ASSIGNED IN PLACE COMBAT TACTICAL AIRCRAFT CONTINUES. INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMMING SHOULD BE COMPLETED IN 1975 (SLICE 26) WHILE CONSTRUCTION IS FORECAST TO BE FINISHED IN MID-1977." EWG ALSO AGREED TO CITE, IN PARA 27, ONGOING SHAPE TECHNICAL CENTER (STC) STUDY OF VARIOUS MIXES OF ACTIVE AND PASSIVE DEFENSES FOR ASSIGNED/EARMARKED AND AUGMENTATION AIRCRAFT IN ACE.

9. DEFENSE AGAINST ARMOR (PARA 29). US REP (BGEN BOWMAN) ASKED EWG TO : A) ADD FINAL SENTENCE WHICH INDICATES THAT COUNTRIES ARE CURRENTLY PROVIDING NATO FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT ANTI ARMOR PROCUREMENT PLANS, WHICH WILL SERVE AS BASIS FOR A MORE COMPLETE, FUTURE REPORT TO MINISTERS ON ADEQUACY AND BALANCE OF ANTI- ARMOR PROGRAMS, AND B) ADD CONSOLIDATED LISTING BY COUNTRY OF ANNOUNCED PROCUREMENT PLANS FOR MODERN ANTI- ARMOR WEAPONS. EWG ACCEPTED FIRST REQUEST, AND AGREED THAT RESULTS OF SPECIAL QUESTIONNAIRE ON ANTI-ARMOR SHOULD BE
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PRESNETED TO MINISTERS WHEN ALL NATIONS HAVE RESPONDED AND DATA HAVE BEEN ADEQUATELY ANALYZED.

10. WAR RESERVE STOCKS (PARAS 30-33). EWG ACCEPTED US REPS REQUEST THAT PARA 30 INDICATE STATUS OF ONGOING SHAPE EFFORTS TO DEVELOP NEW CONSUMPTION AND ATTRITION RATES FOR WAR RESERVE STOCKS. AT REQUEST OF UK REP, EWG DELETED PORTION OF LAST SENTENCE IN PARA 32 WHICH READ, " AND THERE IS A SPECIFIC NEED FOR NATIONAL PREFINANCING."

11. MOBILE AIR DEFENSE SYSTEMS (PARA 36). EWG ACCEPTED US REPS REQUEST TO IDENTIFY SPECIFICALLY COUNTRIES AND TYPES OF MOBILE AIR DEFENSE SYSTEMS THEY PLAN TO BUY. SHAPE REP OBJECTED TO INCLUDING THOSE SYSTEMS DEPLOYED FOR AIRFIELD PROTECTION, SAYING ORIGINAL BASIC ISSUE WAS LIMITED TO MOBILE SYSTEMS IN SUPPORT OF GROUND FORCES. EWG AGREED TO CITE MOBILE AIR DEFENSE

SYSTEMS FOR AIRFIELD PROTECTION IN PARA 28.

12. MODERN AIR DELIVERED MUNITIONS (PARA 37). AT REQUEST OF US REP, EWG REVISED LAST PORTION OF PARA 37 TO READ, " THIS OPPORTUNITY FOR SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVING THE COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS OF NATOS AIR AND MARITIME FORCES SHOULD BE EXPLOITED. THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE HAS DEVELOPED A COMPUTERIZED PROGRAM FOR STOCKPILING AN OPTIMUM MIX OF WEAPONS, INCLUDING ANTI ARMOR WEAPONS, FOR ITS AIRCRAFT. NATIONS SHOULD BEGIN EARLY STOCKPILING OF MODERN AIR DELIVERED MUNITIONS."

13. INFRASTRUCTURE (PARAS 38-42). EWG ACCEPTED US REPS REQUEST TO DELETE " ONLY" FROM SECOND SENTENCE OF PAR 42 AND INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPS (VAN LYNDEN) REQUEST TO DELETE FINAL TWO SENTENCES OF PARA 42.

14. STANDARDIZATION (PARAS 43-46). DEFENSE SUPPORT DIVISION CIRCULATED PROPOSAL FOR STANDARDIZATION SECTION JUST PRIOR TO EWG MEETING. (TEXT SEPTEL) PROPOSAL CONTAINED PARAGRAPHS OF AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING, ELECTRONIC WARFARE, STANDARDIZATION OF AMMUNITION FOR PORTABLE INFANTRY WEAPONS, INTEROPERABILITY AND SECURITY OF COMMUNICATION, SECOND GENERATION ANTI SHIP MISSILES, AND AIRCRAFT IDENTIFICATION SYSTEMS. US REP SUPPORTED INCLUSION OF PROPOSAL IN AD-70 REPORT. DURING DISCUSSION OF AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING SYSTEM, ACTING CHAIRMAN
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HUMPHREYS SAID, "MY OWN VIEW IS THAT THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PROJECT THERE IS AND IF WE CANT MAKE A SUCCESS OF IT IN NATO WE OUGHT TO PACK UP AND GO HOME.", EWG AGREED THAT IS SHOULD INCLUDE STANDARDIZATION SECTION CONDENSED AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE WITHOUT LOSS OF SUBSTANCE.

15. SUPPORT FROM THE CIVIL SECTOR (PARA 50). EWG ACCEPTED NETHERLANDS REPS (CARSTEN) REQUEST TO REVISE PENULTIMATE SENTENCE TO READ, " THIS REQUIRED THAT CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING IN NATO SHOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH THE STRATEGIC AND OTHER PRINCIPLES APPLYING TO DEFENSE PLANNING GENERALLY." EWG ASKED IS TO REVISE LAST SENTENCE SO IT REFLECTED FACT THAT NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES AND CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNERS ARE JOINTLY DEVELOPING PROPOSALS TO HELP NATIONAL AUTHORITIES IMPROVE CIVIL SUPPORT FOR NATOS CONVENTIONAL CAPABILITIES.

16. CONCLUSIONS (PARA 53). AT REQUEST OF SHAPE REP, EWG DELETED SECOND SENTENCE. US REP ASKED EWG TO PLACE PARAGRAPH 53 AT BEGINNING OF REPORT AND TO AUGMENT " CONCLUSIONS" SO THEY HIGHLIGHTED SUBSTANTIVE DEFICIENCIES/ ACTIONS REQUIRED IN PRECEDING SECTIONS OF DRAFT. ACTING CHAIRMAN HUMPHREYS SAID IS HAD ALREADY PREPARED FIRST PORTION OF NEXT DRAFT, BUT THAT IS COULD CONSIDER US REQUEST TO MOVE " CONCLUSIONS" PARAGRAPH IN SUBSEQUENT FINAL DRAFT. HUMPHREYS WARNED AGAINST ATTEMPTING TO PROVIDE MORE SPECIFIC CONCLUSIONS IN AD-70

REPORT; HE CITED DIFFICULTIES IN SQUARING SUCH CONCLUSIONS WITH THOSE REACHED IN OTHER REPORTS UPON WHICH AD-70 REPORT IS BASED.

17. IN CONCLUDING REMARKS, ACTING CHAIRMAN HUMPHREYS SAID IS WILL CIRCULATE REVISED DRAFT APRIL 30 AND IF NO SUBSTANTVIE OBJECTIONS ARE RAISED, EWG WILL APPROVE REPORT BY SILENCE PROCEDURE MAY 6. HE SAID DPC PERM REPS WILL MEET MAY 5 TO CONSIDER MINISTERIAL AGENDA AND MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE AND WILL MEET (TENTATIVELY) MAY 15 TO DISCUSS AD-70 SPRING REPORT. BRUCE

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